Value Labels

Var or Var Type	Value	Value Label	Notes
ZIP_AGG	1	ZIP contains point ZIPs	
	0	Does NOT contain point ZIPs	
ZIP_POINT	1	ZIP Code is POINT ZIP	
	0	NOT a point ZIP	
ZRE_STATUS			Always a six digit value, even if all digits represent no change.
	0	no change	
	1	minimum visits	provider visits <= 50
	2	contiguity	
	3	plurality	
	4	min. pref. index	PCSA preference index <=0.30
	5	min. population	PCSA population <=1000
ZRE_MINVST			
	0		0 means no change; all else: negative first digit means nonqualifying provider change
	-11		Assigned to "Prov_2" -- Provider 2 ZIP Code
	-12		Assigned to subsequent providers (Prov_3,
	-13		Assigned to adjacent PCSA having nearest provider along road or nearest to mainland (if island)
	-14		Assigned to containing or only adjacent PCSA
	-15		Assigned to adjacent ZIP Codes PCSA with same Post Office label (when #3 to nearest providers are roughly equal) **OR** with same first two or three ZIP digits (represents sectional center or mail processing
	-16		Assigned to adjacent PCSA with nearest delivery centroid of provider ZIP
	-99		no data

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ZRE_CONTIG

Each value is two digits in various combinations. First digit refers to the situation requiring a ZIP Code reassignment and the second digit indicates how the reassignment was carried out.

single digit values

-9	No data
0	No change, that is no reassignment was needed or made

double digit values

first digit

1_	Orphan ZIP Code(s) that is part of the current PCSA
4_	ZIP Code(s) from another PCSA causing discontiguity in current PCSA (current PCSA cannot have closure)
5_	Population ZIP Code(s) that makes up current PCSA does not contain "namesake" provider ZIP **OR** Population ZIP Code is "stolen" from a nearby PCSA
7_	"No Data" ZIP Code (no Medicare claims)
8_	Water Bodies
9_	this value not used

second digit

_1	Assigned to "Prov_2" -- Provider 2 ZIP Code
_2	Assigned to subsequent providers (Prov_3,
_3	Assigned to adjacent PCSA having nearest provider along road or nearest to mainland (if island)
_4	Assigned to containing or only adjacent PCSA
_5	Assigned to adjacent ZIP Codes PCSA with same Post Office label (when #3 to nearest providers are roughly equal) **OR** with same first two or three ZIP digits (represents sectional center or mail processing
_6	Assigned to adjacent PCSA with nearest delivery centroid of provider ZIP